

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The foregoing amendments and the remarks that follow are intended to impart precision to the claims, and more particularly point out the invention, rather than to avoid prior art.

Claims 1-27 are pending in the application. Claims 1-27 were rejected. Claims 1, 2, 5, 8, 9, 12, 15, 16, 19 and 24 were amended. No new matter has been added.

CLAIM REJECTIONS - 35 USC § 112, ¶1

The Examiner has rejected claims 1, 8, 15 and 24 under 35 USC §112, ¶1 as containing subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention. Specifically, the Examiner contends that the specification “does not explicitly describe nor is sufficiently clear for one of ordinary skill in the art to recognize” the claim phrase “receiving code instructions from a user terminal to store an excerpt of information from a second storage medium maintained at a second remote server” for claim 1, and similar claim phrases for claims 8, 15 and 24.

Applicant respectfully traverses.

As described in the specification, the first remote server receives code instructions from a user terminal to store an excerpt of information. The client 102 executes one or more processes to “share information about one or more website” (Para. [0035]), which may be storable as a user’s favorite item on the storage device of the server (Para. [0058]). Such web information may include one or more excerpts. (Para. [0081]). “The sharing server receives, identifies, stores, outputs and/or retrieves various information, in association with such shared operations.” Id.

Furthermore, as suggested in the specification, the information may be received from a second storage medium at a second remote server. The specification emphasizes that “for clarity, FIG. 1 depicts only one server 108, although the system 100 may include additional servers which are substantially identical to one another” (Para. [0027]). The specification describes that “any one or more clients 102, 104, and 106 and/or the server 108 is equipped so that a user ... is able to selectively share a resource” (Para. [[0029]). As an illustrative

example, the specification identifies the following as resources: “(a) a webpage created (e.g. published) or edited by the user and/or by another user; or (b) any other generally addressable webpage (e.g., any webpage accessed through the global Internet).” *Id.* (emphasis added). As is understood by persons skilled in the art, “any webpage accessed through the global Internet” is stored in a third party storage medium at one or more third party servers.

Therefore, the specification explicitly describes and is sufficiently clear for one of ordinary skill in the art to recognize the subject matter claimed in claim 1. Likewise, the specification explicitly describes and is sufficiently clear for one of ordinary skill in the art to recognize the subject matter claimed in Independent claims 8, 15, and 24, for the same reasons advanced with respect to independent claim 1. Applicant respectfully request that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶1 be withdrawn.

CLAIM REJECTIONS - 35 USC § 112, ¶2

The Office Action rejected Claims 2, 5, 16 and 19 for the limitation “the information handling system” having insufficient antecedent basis. These claims were amended to provide proper antecedent basis. Applicant respectfully requests that the rejection be withdrawn to advance prosecution.

CLAIM REJECTIONS - 35 USC § 103

The Examiner rejected claims 1, 8, 15 and 23-27 under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Morris, U.S. Pat. No. 7,451,185 (hereinafter “*Morris* reference”) in view of Johns et al., U.S. Patent Application Pub. No. 2005/0097173 (hereinafter “*Johns* reference”). The Examiner also rejected claims 2-7, 9-14 and 16-22 under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over the *Morris* reference in view of the *Johns* reference and further in view of Brewster et al., U.S. Patent Application Pub. No. 2002/0147847 (hereinafter “*Brewster* reference”).

Applicant respectfully traverses.

The present invention is directed to a system, method and computer program product for sharing information about one or more resources with one or more other users (Para. [0035]). As an illustrative example, the resources may be “(a) a webpage created (e.g. published) or edited by the user and/or by another user; or (b) any other generally addressable

webpage (e.g., any webpage accessed through the global Internet).” (Para. [0029]) (emphasis added).

Independent claim 1, as amended, recites a “method for sharing information through a first remote server having a first storage medium, the method comprising:

receiving code instructions from a user terminal to store an excerpt of information from at least one second storage medium maintained with at least one second remote server different from the first remote server; and ...”

Support for the claim amendment can be found in the specification. (see Paras. [0027], and [0029]). See also discussion above in connection with 112, ¶1 rejection. As can be appreciated, there are multiple remote servers. The first remote server allows the user to access and create public and group folders (see Para. [0058]). The at least one second remote server, for example, web hosting server, contains the information of one or more websites, accessible through the global Internet, and which the user may choose to share with others. (Para. [0029]).

For example, a user may be interested to share a YAHOO! News report with one or more other users, as shown in FIG. 5A. As is understood by a person skilled in the art, the YAHOO! News report is stored on one or more second storage mediums maintained at one or more YAHOO! remote servers. The user display device may then display the information through the first remote server, along with the list of folders. (see FIG. 5A). The first remote server also allows the user to save the information in one of the displayed folders and to selectively enable access to the folder by one or more other users (see paras. [0129-0130]).

The *Morris* reference is directed to a computer-implemented method and system for providing links to one or more resources related to a specific resource (abstract). The method allows the user to configure a relation comprising a matching criteria for the resource, associating the relation with the specified resource and processing the relation to create links to one or more related resources satisfying the matching criteria. (abstract). FIG. 1 of the *Morris* reference shows the resources 114a, 114b, 114c and album 112 are all in the same database 110. The *Morris* disclosure explains that “User A 100a, uploads a resource, e.g., an album 112 including a group of digital images, to the server 104, and the server 104 places the album 112

in storage, e.g. a database 110.” (col. 3, lines 56-59). Similarly, the *Morris* disclosure emphasizes that “the server 104 stores a plurality of resources 114a-114c for the plurality of users 100a and 100b.” (col. 4, lines 1-3). Hence, all the resources are stored in database 110 (col. 4, lines 63-64).

The *Morris* reference fails to disclose, teach or suggest that the resources are stored in at least one second storage medium maintained with at least one second remote server different from the first remote server. See Claim 1 (emphasis added). In contrast, the *Morris* reference teaches that the resources are all stored on the same server 104. The user must upload the photos to the server 104 to share with others. As such, the user terminal does not transmit code instructions to store the photos/information from one or more remote servers; rather, it transmits the photos/information directly to the server 104. Furthermore, the user terminal does not transmit code instructions to store information from at least one second remote server different from the first remote server 104.

Hence, the *Morris* reference fails to meet the claim limitations recited in claim 1 for at least two reasons. First, the *Morris* reference fails to teach that the system receives code instructions from the user terminal to store, at a first remote server, the photos/information maintained with at least one second remote server. Instead, the system receives directly, from the user terminal’s image database, the photos/information. Second, to store, share and view photos, the *Morris* reference teaches that the system only communicates with the user terminal. The system does not communicate with a user terminal and at least one second remote server. Therefore, the *Morris* reference fails to satisfy all the claim limitations of independent claim 1.

We have already demonstrated the inadequacies of teaching the present invention in the *Morris* reference and under 35 U.S.C. § 103, it would be incumbent upon the teaching of the *Johns* and *Brewster* references to provide a teaching reference for supplementing the deficiencies of the *Morris* reference.

The *Johns* reference is directed to a method and system for organizing and sharing digital images over a communication network (abstract). “Users are provided the ability to create a higher-level organization (called a ‘folder’). ... This invention allows the owner of a folder to associate a ‘notification list’ with the folder (a set of e-mail addresses and/or phone #s)” (*Johns* reference, para. [0005]) “When the user chooses to upload photos ... the server

will automatically queue a notification for everyone on the notification list for the folder.” *Id.* (emphasis added). A user (user 2) shares his/her images from the user 2’s image database (see *Johns* reference, FIG. 2, step 34).

Like the *Morris* reference, the *Johns* reference fails to disclose, teach or suggest that the resources are stored in at least one second storage medium maintained with at least one second remote server different from the first remote server. See Claim 1 (emphasis added). In contrast, the *Johns* reference teaches that the content, which a user seeks to share, is initially on the user’s database and not on a remote server. The user must upload the photos to the service provider server 18 to share with others on the notification list. As such, the user terminal does not transmit code instructions to store the photos/information from a remote server; rather, it transmits the photos/information directly to the service provider server 18. Hence, the *Johns* reference fails to supplement the deficiencies of the *Morris* reference.

Brewster is directed to a method for converting data in documents submitted over a network into XML documents (Abstract). The *Brewster* reference was simply cited by the Examiner for the teaching of providing viewable formats for different users of different type of devices (Office Action, pg. 5). The *Brewster* reference also fails to supplement the deficiencies of the *Morris* and *Johns* references. The *Brewster* reference fails to disclose, teach or suggest receiving code instructions from a user terminal to store an excerpt of information from one or more second storage mediums maintained at one or more second remote server.

Hence, independent claim 1 is patentably distinct from the prior art references. Applicant respectfully request that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103 be withdrawn.

Claims 2-27

Claims 2-7, 22-23, and 26-27 dependent from claim 1. Thus, these claims are patentable for the same reasons advanced with respect to independent claim 1. Independent claims 8, 15, and 24 and their dependent claims, are also patentably distinct from the prior art references for the same reasons advanced with respect to independent claim 1.

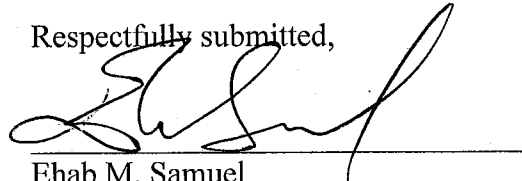
CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit that all the claims remaining in the application are now in condition for allowance, and respectfully request that the application be passed to issue. Such relief, or in the alternative an Ex Parte Quayle Action is respectfully requested, and such relief hereby earnestly solicited.

Should any residual matters left to be resolved, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned agent at 949.732.6682 (office) at his convenience. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fee in connection with the submission of this paper, now or in the future, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 50-2638. Please ensure that Attorney Docket Number **104128-213401** is referred to when charging any payments or credits for this case.

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